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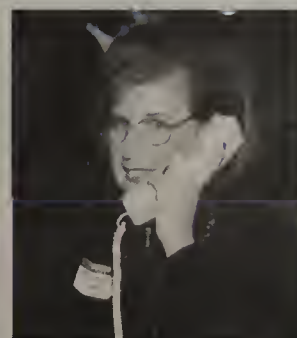
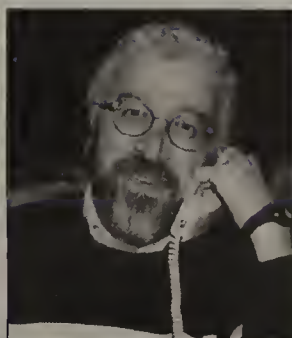
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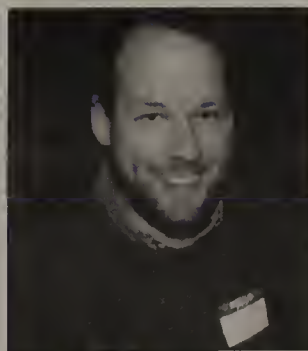
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## A black and white portrait of a young man with dark, wavy hair. He is wearing a vertically striped shirt. He is resting his chin on his right hand, looking directly at the camera with a slight smile. A small, dark, rectangular object, possibly a name tag or a small plaque, is pinned to his shirt near the bottom center. The background is dark and out of focus.



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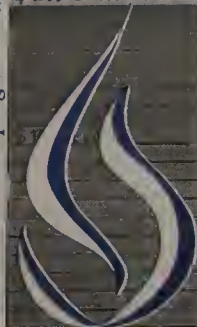


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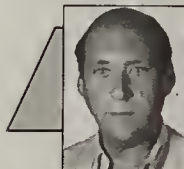
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## COMMENTARY

# Protecting our agencies from potential government cut backs



## VAAD REPORT

LAWRENCE GREENBERG  
PRESIDENT, VAAD HA'IR

As has been widely reported, the Government of Ontario is planning major cuts in funding for health and social services. These measures will have a major impact on a number of our community's beneficiary agencies and significant implications for the Vaad's community allocations over the next few years.

Some two million dollars which our community agencies receive from government may be at risk. It is also possible that, in light of the small size of our community, the government may want to subsume some of our agencies within larger, non-Jewish agencies.

Last summer, the Vaad Ha'ir struck a Health and Social Services Task Force with the mandate of assessing the potential impact on our communal services and making recommendations about what our community can do to protect our agencies. The Task Force was co-chaired by Rona Shaffran-Tannenbaum and Shlomo Mayman and included the presidents, treasurers and executive directors of Tamir Foundation, Jewish Family Services and Hillel Lodge.

At the last Executive Meeting of the Vaad, the Health and Social Services Task Force delivered its report. After extensive consultations with government representatives, politicians, non-Jewish health and social service agencies and representatives of Jewish agencies in Toronto, the Task Force had the following recommendations.

First, the community should look for ways to avoid overlap, achieve savings and improve efficiencies through greater cooperation among our agencies. Since the government is looking to remove overlap and dupli-

cation, we would be wise to demonstrate that we are dealing with that situation with our own agencies before the government orders us to do so. The Task Force stressed that any changes must benefit the client and improve the delivery of services.

Second, our local Jewish agencies should improve their profiles and broaden their horizons to encourage greater participation by Jews in organizations which fund social services. Moreover, it was suggested that the Jewish community provide expertise in terms of fundraising and organization to fledgling ethnic and faith communities and to non-Jewish agencies.

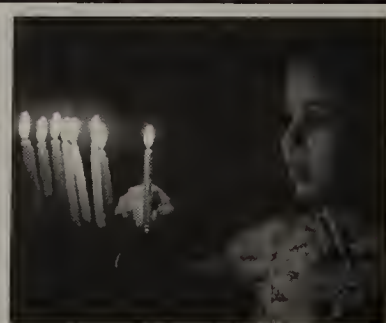
Third, the community should attempt to build alliances with non-Jewish groups that deliver social services so that when we deal with the government, the media, or others, we speak on behalf of a greater coalition. We should seek, in particular, to build alliances with groups that appear to have already established good relationships with the government.

Finally, our community should build linkages with other Jewish communities in Ontario. It was noted that the Toronto Jewish community is fairly well connected with the present Ontario government and its size makes it a significant player. It was also suggested that the smaller Jewish communities probably face the same problems we do and linking with Jewish communities across Ontario would help us in presenting our case to government.

The Vaad Executive approved the report in principle and sent it to the boards of JFS, Tamir and Hillel Lodge for review and comment. Given the priority which the Vaad accords this matter, the boards were asked to respond in advance of the next Executive Meeting in mid December. The executive also asked Shlomo and Rona to co-chair an interim implementation committee whose mandate will be to put the report into an action plan, including analysing the potential financial or human resource costs to the community.

Our goal is to protect our Jewish agencies and the Jewish nature of their services. While we recognize the difficult financial situation facing all levels of govern-

ment, we feel that our Jewish communal agencies play an important role and must be allowed to continue their work. It is the hope of the Task Force and the Vaad that this report will not only help protect our agencies, but will also lead to more efficient and better delivery of services to the clients.



## Happy Chanukah

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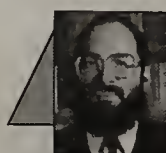
EIGHTH CHANUKAH LIGHT  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

## Chanukah lights, children and the Vaad Ha'ir

To help a fellow human being is the essence of the Torah. To help Jewish children retain their Jewish identity is the essence of Chanukah. A Jewish boy or girl without Torah education is left to confront the world without the benefit of the light of Torah. That light is understanding. That light is knowledge. That light is the joy that comes from connecting to one's Jewish roots. Without the light of Torah there is a void that is filled with darkness. Chanukah lights illuminate that darkness.

In Hebrew there is an expression "Miot Or Docheh Harbay Choshech" - a little bit of light can dispel great darkness. Those lights are the flames of the Chanukah Menorah.

Recently, I found myself in a predicament that jeopardized Jewish education for many children. I was virtually overwhelmed by the enormity of the potential loss of Torah education. At precisely that moment, the lights of Chanukah flickered in the darkness of my plight. This time the flames of Jewish fraternity illuminated the darkness. Friends, supporters of Jewish education from all the congregations, parents of children who benefit from our school and rallied to preserve a precious part of our community. But my greatest admiration is reserved for leaders of our community who stepped forward with courage and faith to protect the integrity of



## FROM THE PULPIT

RABBI MORDECAI BERGER  
YOUNG ISRAEL

Jewish education.

The Vaad Ha'ir, which for so many years was perceived to be non-supportive, brought forth a safety net that made possible the continuation of our Torah educational system. Today, I clearly recognize that the mantle of community leadership rests on the shoulders of the Vaad's members. They carry the burdens of our community and they shoulder this responsibility with dignity. They were the flame that illuminated the darkness of my dilemma and they will receive the credit for all future Torah education that will emanate from our school.

Therefore fellow Jews of Ottawa, I share with you this Chanukah thought. The Festival of Lights teaches that the fire of Torah and the glow of brotherly love can brighten our lives as Jews today. Together let us magnify our shared values and work together at eliminating darkness in our world. Happy Chanukah.

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# Vaad Trustees assure primacy of United Jewish Appeal Ottawa

At a meeting held on November 6, the Vaad Board of Trustees approved major policies designed to underscore the primacy of the UJA Campaign in Ottawa and to thereby strengthen its role in the community.

Two related policy statements were adopted. The first was an "In Good Standing" policy with the UJA Campaign and the second defined the role of beneficiary agencies in the campaign.

### Highlights of the

#### "In Good Standing" Policy

**Goal** - To enact a policy which will underscore the importance for those in positions of leadership to be "in good standing" with the UJA Campaign.

**Rationale** - The UJA Campaign is central to our community's viability. Proceeds from the campaign fund all seminal agencies, programs and services.

**Definition** - Persons will be considered to be "in good standing" with the UJA Campaign if:

- They have made a pledge to the current year's campaign.
- They are current on their payments to the last year's campaign or formal arrangements are in place to clear up any outstanding pledges.

**Policy** - Leadership of the Vaad, its

committees and its beneficiary agencies must be "in good standing" with the UJA Campaign. By example, those in leadership positions will underscore the central importance of the UJA Campaign and thereby promote and foster a "consciousness of giving" within the community.

### Highlights of the Policy on the Role of Beneficiary Agencies in the UJA Campaign

**Background** - The primary reason for the existence of the UJA Campaign is to fund and support the community's beneficiary agencies and institutions. It is therefore of paramount importance that UJA donors be made aware of the programs and services offered by the beneficiaries.

According to a previous policy adopted by the Vaad Ha'Ir in 1986, the involvement of all beneficiary agencies in the campaign is a condition of receiving funds.

**Policy** - In order to encourage greater agency involvement in the UJA Campaign, the following measures were adopted:

- Each beneficiary will appoint a member of its board to sit on the campaign cabinet.
- Each beneficiary is encouraged to participate in the campaign by having its leadership canvass and volunteer for the various campaign functions.

• UJA campaign information and promotional material should be displayed in the respective buildings and/or offices of the beneficiary agencies and campaign events promoted in respective newsletters.

In adopting these two policies, the trustees have acknowledged the essential and central role that UJA Ottawa plays in our community. Furthermore, for someone to serve our community in a leadership position and for those agencies and institutions that are beneficiaries of UJA

funds, it is necessary to appreciate that the UJA Campaign is of paramount importance. If, as a community, we wish to maintain our Jewish way of life, then those in leadership positions and representatives of beneficiary agencies have a responsibility to show the way.

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Jennifer Koffman, age 13

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Words cannot express our appreciation for the outpouring of love we have received from family, friends and acquaintances. The cards, notes, meals, visits and donations made in Ruth's memory were overwhelming.

Your support for our family at this most difficult time was much appreciated and helped to ease our loss.

**The Taller and Kerzner families**

## In Appreciation

We wish to thank all our family and friends for their many acts of kindness, including cards, notes, donations, meal offerings and especially your general concern and care.

Your thoughts are deeply appreciated and we hope you will continue to pray on our son's behalf.

Please consider this as a personal thank you.

**Ellen, Ray, Michael and Tamara Fathi**

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## Walls and gates erected at New Cemetery

By Mayer Alvo  
Chair, Jewish Community Cemeteries

A ceremony, attended by over 90 people, was held last month at the New Cemetery in Osgoode to dedicate the newly erected walls and gates. The addition is a gift from Sidney Cwinn in memory of his wife Pearl.

Plans for the gate had been drawn up some 20 years ago when the cemetery was first built but were not imple-

mented until now. Twenty tons of quarried sandstone were used in the actual construction of the walls and posts; the main sign, weighing some 1,700 lb, was made of special granite imported from Vermont. The gates, wings and posts in the iron work required approximately 2,500 linear feet of steel.

Pictured (from left to right) are Cantor David Aptowitz, Mayer Alvo, Sidney Cwinn and Rabbi Reuven Bulka.

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# Remarks of Israel's new ambassador to Canada, His Excellency David Sultan, at a meeting of the Vaad Ha'ir Board of Trustees, November 6

Thank you for receiving us so warmly. My wife and I had been informed by our predecessors that we would find a very warm and supportive community here. But what we actually found was beyond our expectation and we are very grateful for that. I will consider it an essential part of my task in Canada to work closely with the community for the promotion of all the good causes that we share.

Currently we are engaged in a peace process that I am confident will eventually end with the realization of a full and comprehensive peace with all our neighbors. I have no doubt

with regard to the end result. But until we reach that full and comprehensive peace, it will be a very long way - long, difficult and painful - because at stake is reaching that kind of peace that will not put in peril our existence for generations to come.

While negotiating peace we have to remember that Israel is located in a region that has not yet reached political and social stability; a region where violent behavior between countries is the order of the day; a region with endemic problems generating hazards. Our values unfortunately are not shared by all in our region. One has to bear in mind that even after

peace our immediate and regional neighbors will continue to be Syria, Iraq and Iran, and not Holland, Belgium or Canada.

Given this background, no wonder we have an internal debate in Israel. It is not between those who want peace and those who do not want peace, because the people of Israel in their entirety are yearning for peace; the debate is rather, with regard to the degree of risk a small country can take upon itself in a region like the Middle East.

The peace process, especially with the Palestinians, is difficult and

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His Excellency David Sultan,  
Israel's ambassador to Canada

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### JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES

## Palliative care presentation draws large audience

On Tuesday evening, October 22, a very special event took place. The Jewish Hospice sponsored a panel presentation entitled "The Unspeakable Loss: Death of a Child - Helping Families to Cope". Palliative Care Coordinator, Sherry Robinson, introduced the panelists - social worker Ruth Krupka, bereavement follow-up coordinator at Hospice of All Saints; Judi Paterson, clinical nurse practitioner at the Ottawa Civic Hospital; Linda Hay, clinical nurse palliative care coordinator, Queensway Carleton Hospital; Jean Clairoux, Victim Crisis Unit, Ottawa Regional Police; and Fran Urman, vice-principal of Yitzhak Rabin High School. In addition to working with bereavement and loss, four of these professionals have endured the loss of a child in their own family.

Sherry introduced the topic by speaking of her own loss of a little girl 26 years ago and how she had integrated that loss into her life. Ruth presented the clinical information on bereavement and loss, stressing that loss is not hierarchical and that the loss of a child is not more difficult than the loss of a parent or spouse, just different. She spoke on the similarities, differences, patterns and processes we all experience in our own unique way when we suffer the loss of a child whether born or yet to be born. The loss of a child prior to birth can be just as traumatizing as the loss of an older child as all hopes and dreams of a future relationship must be abandoned.

Judi followed with a case presentation of a family she is helping to grieve the recent loss of their 11-year-old daughter. Judi, who is not only working with the family and the extended family, but also the friends of this child, demonstrated clearly and beautifully how the loss and bereavement process extends to the whole community which has become a tremendous support to the family and friends of this young girl.

Linda then spoke of the loss of her son, Bryan, 17 years ago and how she helped his five-year-old sister express her grief and confusion by using story telling and art therapy. Linda continues to use art therapy in her work, finding it very helpful (particularly with children) when words fail.

Jean next talked about the different ways that he and his wife Jacqueline expressed their grief after losing their 19-year-old son six years ago. Not only do men and women express themselves differently, but they may grieve differently, and have very separate needs and wants relating to their pain and anguish. Trying to grieve one's own losses and still have the energy to be there for your partner is at best a challenge, at worst a nightmare. Jean shared how challenging it can be for couples to be supportive of each other when their own pain is so overwhelming.

Following Jean, Fran spoke of the struggle she had in her early 20s trying to deal with the loss of two brothers within a two-year period. Fran showed how her own art helped her to deal with her losses. Through slides she illustrated the different stages her grieving went through and how it was reflected in her work.

Ruth then brought it all together reminding us that each one of us grieves uniquely; there is no right or wrong way or correct length of time to grieve. Grieving never ends, it merely changes intensity becoming more manageable, less painful and an ever growing part of who we are in the process of becoming. With love, acceptance and encouragement we do find the strength, courage and wisdom within to not only live through our loss, but somehow to ultimately grow from it.

For those who need help and support with their grieving process, Sherry Robinson and Eva Esrock will be facilitating a bereavement and loss group. If you are interested please contact Eva or Sherry (789-1800).

## "Rain or shine . . . we are going"

By Valerie Terkel

Immigrant Settlement Worker  
The Senior Immigrant Group met again on Sunday, October 20 for a bus trip to the Gatineau to see the fall leaves. The weather was not great . . . in fact it was raining . . . but we still had a great time! Some commented "it is just a little rain!" The picnic planned for outdoors was just held on the bus.

Our next get together will be the Chanukah Party.



Yitzhak Nayvelt and Maria Nabutouska enjoy their day in the Gatineau.



The most popular fundraiser at Hillel Academy is Hot Dog Day. Held once a month, it's a treat for the students and a break for the parents who don't need to make lunches that day. Co-chairs Joanne Kalman and Andrea Zagerman and approximately 12 parents volunteer their time to boil hot dogs, cut huns and package lunches ordered for the school's 24 classes.

## Machon Sarah gala huge success

By Adele Sidney

In celebration of the seventh anniversary of Machon Sarah High School, over 150 women and girls from all sectors of the Ottawa Jewish community recently gathered at Machzikei Hadas to enjoy a gala evening of drama, song and dance.

The highlight of the evening was the presentation by the entire Machon Sarah student body of *The Politically Correct Person of Chelm* and *The Men-*

*tally Challenged Carp*. This musical comedy was written, composed, choreographed, set, produced and directed entirely by the girls themselves with invaluable input from Shirley Schildkraut.

Over refreshments, members of the audience were heard to remark on how professional the production was - the culmination of six months of planning and rehearsals.

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# Remarks of Israel's new ambassador

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painful for our people because unlike peace with Egypt and Jordan there is no national consensus in Israel with regard to the best and safest way to achieve peace with the Palestinians. Adding to the difficulties is the fact that among the Palestinians there is also no national consensus with regard to peace with Israel. In their case, the division is between those who are in favor of a settlement and those, like Hamas and its followers, who do not want any kind of settlement with the Jewish state.

The present government in Israel is no less committed to achieve peace than its predecessor, though it has a different approach. The government, faithful to the orderly way of conducting state affairs, decided to respect and implement the Oslo Agreement that it inherited. In that framework, Israeli forces will be redeployed in the city of Hebron. While respecting the agreement, the government wanted to have on the ground arrangements that will ensure the security of the Jewish population - not to renegotiate the agreement, nor to reopen it, but rather to amplify its security provisions. These on the ground security arrangements were required, surely, after the painful experience of last month.

After intensive talks we managed to forge a satisfactory agreement that is basically answering the needs of the two sides. Unfortunately, the Palestinian side, for reasons we fail to understand, keeps raising issues and excuses to postpone the conclusion of the negotia-

tions. Nevertheless, we hope to soon finalize the drafting and signing of this agreement to redeploy our forces in Hebron and proceed in the negotiations for the permanent settlement.

Hopefully, we will be able to also resume the talks with the Syrians on the basis of the Madrid Formula.

In this fateful period we need the understanding of our friends in

Canada. We need your solidarity, as well, because we are partners. Israel belongs to all of us. Let's work together and let's have the needed patience because peacemaking always requires patience. I am confident that at the end of the day the peace that we are after will be achieved. Until we reach that end, we count on your understanding and your solidarity.

## Israel's new ambassador to Canada, David Sultan

Israel's new ambassador to Canada, David Sultan, has had a long career in the Israeli foreign service.

He was born in Cairo, Egypt in 1938 and emigrated with his family to Israel in 1949. After serving in the Israeli Defence Forces, he held various posts in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, including a two-year posting as the First Secretary in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire. Sultan was appointed to the post of Counselor in The Hague, Netherlands from 1974 to 1979 and served as the Director of Division in the Foreign Ministry's Center for Political Research from 1979 to 1981. In 1982, he was appointed Head of the Israeli Interest Office in Nairobi, Kenya, and was posted to Cairo as Minister - Counselor between 1983 and 1985. Sultan also served as

Israel's Consul General in Milan, Italy from 1985 to 1987, Director of the Cabinet of the Director-General for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 1987 to 1989 and Deputy Director General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 1989 to 1992. He arrives in Canada after serving as Israel's ambassador to Egypt for the past four years.

The ambassador is married to Adina and they have two children.

Sultan has a masters degree in Middle-Eastern Affairs. He is looking forward to his Ottawa posting, especially in light of the recently signed Canada-Israel Free Trade Agreement. "Canada and Israel have just signed a free trade agreement and we believe there is huge potential for the benefit of both sides," he says.

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"Once I said yes and became involved, JNF Chair Norman Barwin asked me to sit on the board," Alan Blostein says. "Now I'm hooked... and am thoroughly enjoying the experience."

In short order Blostein and Peter Weitman were delegated co-chairs of Ottawa's Blue Box program, a challenge they are meeting head on.

"Familiarity with the JNF Blue Box begins in childhood and continues throughout a lifetime," Alan says. "The Blue Box has been an integral part of JNF since the beginning. It is one of the organization's most important identification tools."

"Peter and I realized that filling them isn't a problem, but collecting and replacing them is, so we've come up with a plan involving our community's children that will give the kids a sense of accomplishment and get the job done well."

Blostein is no stranger to Israel. Following his graduation from university he went to a kibbutz to "find himself."

"What I found was that I loved the country but that picking oranges at 4:00 am wasn't for this boy!" he laughs.

"It's vital for diaspora Jewry to help build Israel into a strong and vibrant homeland," Alan says. "I believe the work that JNF does in Israel, the tree planting, the building of the country's infrastructure is tremendously important and I'm proud to be taking part in the effort."

Alan and his wife, Margo (Prager), are already teaching their young family of three children to put their pennies in the JNF pushke.

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Each of their parents chose to add special meaning to the special occasion by inscribing their child's name in the JNF Sefer Bar/Bat Mitzvah. Nate, Zygmunt, Jeremy and Emily's names join the millions inscribed on the pages of the Sefer Bar/Bat Mitzvah housed and on display in the lobby of the Keren Kayemeth LeIsrael building in Jerusalem.

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## JCC invites community to Chanukah Party at Cosmic Adventures

Chanukah is traditionally a time for family gatherings. This year, your family is invited to celebrate the tradition of Chanukah in an untraditional, but, fun-filled way.

On the fifth night of the holiday, Monday, December 9, the JCC is sponsoring A Great Big Cosmic Chanukah at Cosmic Adventures, 1373 Ogilvie Road. The funplex has been rented for the exclusive use of the JCC; doors open at 6:00 pm and the formal program begins at 7:00 pm.

It will be an action-packed night for the whole family. Youngsters can burn off some of that kid-energy in the indoor playground, transformed that night into a Maccabee Adventure, while their parents socialize in the party room. A DJ will keep the atmosphere

lively with Israeli dancing, line dancing and party games. Babysitting will be provided for tots too young for the playground.

Everyone will get together to light the Chanukah, sing Chanukah songs, and of course, eat latkes and other goodies. Chanukah theme games involving the whole family will round out the evening.

This will be an opportunity for young families from all over the city to meet one another, schmooze and connect. The JCC hopes that

participants will bring the entire family, from babbies to babies, to celebrate a magical night of Chanukah.

JCC Executive Director Ann Lynn Lipton believes that offering Jewish Family Life programming in venues outside the Jewish community delivers a subtle but important message. "The Jewish celebration of Chanukah is a truly joyous one and we are joining together as a Kahila (community) to have a great time in a setting that is fun for the whole family. We're

taking Judaism out of the Centre and making it relevant to the interests of our families in the 90s - and creating holiday memories."

Pre-registration for A Great Big Cosmic Chanukah is essential. The cost is \$5.00 per child and \$8.00 per adult. The family rate is \$25.00. If your family is interested in participating in this program, call the JCC (789-1818). Deadline to register is Thursday, December 5.

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### Bat Mitzvah!

Erin Tamara Raehael Young celebrated her Bat Mitzvah Shabbat LeChochma, October 26, 1996 at Congregation Har-Tikvah, Brampton, Ontario. Proud father, Raymond; siblings Shayna, Julia and Ayden in Orangeville; and grandparents Evelyn and Maurice Young of Ottawa are overjoyed.

### It's a girl!

Mirsky/Bennett: Joanne and Gary are ecstatic to announce the birth of their daughter Jordana Haven, on October 27, 1996. Proud grandparents are Linda and Kenneth Mirsky and Michelle and Bob Bennett of Toronto. Extra proud great grandparents are Sybil and Laz Mirsky and Sary Stone of Toronto.

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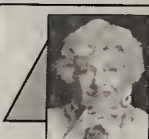
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### SIXTY SOMETHING

RUTH WEITZ

## Strange Interlude

This column is for those who are living alone, either by choice or due to divorce or death of a spouse. I begin by reminding you of Eugene O'Neill's 1928 play *Strange Interlude*. The title refers to life; according to O'Neill, the present is the strange interlude between the past and what is to come.

Life should not stop because of the loss of a mate. Life didn't lose meaning. While one life is now closed to you there are many other doors that you can open. Life resumes its course and you march forward.

More than ever before you need to retain pride and self-assurance. You need to maintain a positive attitude about yourself.

Life consists, if you are lucky, of three acts. Why not try for a fourth with a standing ovation at the end? We all get wounded somewhere along the way to old age. So don't feel that life owes you anything. You owe it to yourself to see that your life is fulfilling. Look at it as a new world with a myriad of things to do. I know you can't help but retain memories but don't fill your head to the brim leaving no room for memories to come.

Some men and women, after the loss of a spouse, passively resign themselves to loneliness and "old age". It is a better life if you can be flexible and adjust to a different way of living. Now is the time to accelerate your growth process. Goals late in life can change and keep changing. Partnerless men and women continue to live in spite of personal problems. Just find the goodness of life in your everyday living.

There may be times when you feel inclined to say, "Stop the world, I want to get off." Don't do it. Instead, learn to adapt to your life as it is and force yourself to think positively. Put your age on hold and live forward, never backward. You have the time now to get to know yourself and to find within you the power to be secure and important in your own right.

George Bernard Shaw said, "The secret of being miserable is to have the leisure to bother about whether you are happy or not."

So keep busy. Get involved. I don't mean you should never be idle. You are not wasting your time if you use it in between the busy times to do absolutely nothing. It can be very calming to just sit and stare into space without thinking creatively. There can be serenity in silence.

If you have children, don't let them be responsible for your life. You take responsibility and be captain of your own soul and the centre of all the ripples that go on around you.

We elders who are alone (and I was there twice) are neither superior nor inferior, nor are we different. We are as heterogeneous as any other age group. Never be so full of propriety that you can't laugh at yourself. In fact, make certain that you never lose your ability to laugh.

Some of you may be unhappy living alone surrounded by people of the same sex. Men have a wide choice because we women outnumber them. Women find it harder to find a suitable man because overwhelming evidence indicates that eligible men are in short supply. These women might want to move to a certain part of Malaysia where women keep a harem of men. Bet you didn't know that!

It is not good to dream all alone. It is not good for the human spirit to stop dreaming totally either. There can still be many exciting tomorrows. You can fail the last part of your life or you can have the time of your life. It is up to you.

The worst tragedy is not living while you are alive. Realize that you can control your own life and do not allow life to control you. Most important, recognize the importance of being your unique self.

## MAILBAG

### Ramah School Winnipeg searching for alumni

Dear Editor,

Ramah Hebrew School in Winnipeg, Manitoba will be closing its doors in June 1997 to reopen in September 1997 under a new name at the Winnipeg Jewish Community Campus. This end of an era will be honored by a *Fabulous Farewell Celebration Weekend*, April 19-20, 1997, featuring an open house, children's art show and a gala dinner and dance. All profits from the weekend activities will be dedicated to the Ramah Judaica Collection of Educational Resources to be located in the new

school.

Ramah Hebrew School opened at its present location in 1958 and has graduated almost 2,000 children in 36 years. With these graduates come many memories of days gone by.

The planning committee is hard at work searching for alumni, former teachers, principals and friends to join in remembering Ramah. For further information and a registration package call 1-800-463-2495 now!

Ramah Farewell Celebration Planning Committee

### Letters welcome

Letters to the Editor are welcome if they are brief, signed, timely and of interest to our readership. The OJB reserves the right to refuse, edit or condense letters. The Mailbag column will be published as space permits.

## Aviva Chapter, Na'amat off to an exciting year

By Janet Baskin

Another season of great programming and fundraising has begun for members of the Aviva Chapter of Na'amat.

This fall, programs have included an informative presentation on party planning by Aliza Gazdas of "All Events Party Planning"; a cooking demonstration by Candice Wilder, featuring appetizers and quick meals - the cheese fondue and flambéed Black Forest chocolate

crepes were real hits; and a tour of The Spa.

Future programs include a Family Chanukah Bowling Party on December 22; a talk by a nutritionist on healthy eating; a lingerie party on February 10; and a discussion on March 3 by a health professional on the latest developments in women's health issues. Also don't forget to look for your Kosher Passover wine

list coming in the mail sometime in early February.

The Aviva Chapter is always looking for new members. Anyone who is interested is welcome to attend any of the meetings. For more information contact Chapter President Deana Dubrofsky (726-9595) or Vice-President Janet Baskin (825-0231).

## Annual CICC Chanukah party on December 8

By Geri Migicovsky

Dr. Norman Barwin, president of the Ottawa Chapter of the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation, has announced that the annual Chanukah Party will be held on Sunday, December 8 at 7:30 pm at the home of Arnon and Ruth Miller, 3671 Revell Drive. The featured guest will be Cantor Daniel Benlolo of Congregation Beth Shalom West, who will be accompanied by Shirley Schildkraut. The synagogue's children's choir will also join in the festivities.

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## KID LIT

# Chanukah stories confront 'conflicting feelings'



KID LIT

DEANNA SILVERMAN

Primarily because of the pervasive commercialization of Christmas that starts immediately after Halloween, many Jewish children experience additional stress at this time of year.

Some of that stress may reflect feelings of envy. Some may be subconscious or conscious anxiety about being different. Some may be an on-again off-again desire to be like everyone else. And some may simply be a desire to join in 'forbidden' fun.

Parents and grandparents may remember experiencing many of those same feelings. We came through them and we expect our children to come through them. But open discussion and a little help from the following books might be a good idea.

### Jenny and the Hanukkah Queen

By Jean Little

Illustrated by Suzanne Mogensen

Viking/Penguin Group 1995

Unpaged. Ages 3-8

In the dedication found on the last page of the book, Jean Little, one of Canada's foremost children's writers, credits Michelle Landsberg - another renowned Canadian writer - with introducing her to the Hanukkah Queen.

Possibly because she's not Jewish, Jean Little felt free to tell the world about this wondrous Chanukah persona. The result, *Jenny and the Hanukkah Queen*, is a charming tongue-in-cheek story that gently and lovingly confronts a Jewish girl's apprehensions over enjoying a Santa Claus parade and, by implication, the notion of a gift-giving

Santa Claus.

At home after the parade Jenny finds herself drawing pictures of Santa and feeling guilty. Her mother understands and offers cryptic advice: "Who needs Santa Claus when they have the Hanukkah Queen?"

The remainder of the story shows Jenny's attempts to learn something, anything, about the Hanukkah Queen and to draw her picture. Jenny's father is amused but doesn't say a word. Her Jewish friend Tema hasn't a clue. Even Tema's mother seems puzzled. And Jenny's mother answers most of Jenny's questions with "What do you think?"

Jenny's artistic imagination takes over. She draws the Hanukkah Queen's castle, her sleigh, her robes, her crown. But she can't draw the face. That is not until Jenny and her family put up Chanukah decorations, play dreidle, light candles, eat latkes and Jenny enjoys her first gift.

Suzanne Mogensen's full-color illustrations are warm, loving and full of fun, especially the 'I've got a secret' twinkle in Jenny's mother's eyes.

### The Christmas Menorahs How a Town Fought Hate

By Janice Cohn, D.S.W.

Illustrated by Bill Farnsworth

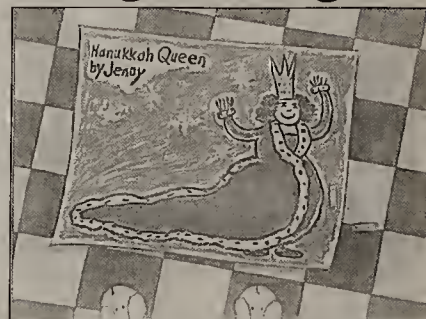
Albert Whitman and Company 1995

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*The Christmas Menorahs* is an inspiring story based on real events that occurred in Billings, Montana in 1993. Hate crime had been growing in Billings in the months before that Chanukah/Christmas season. Attempts to deal with it had been quiet and low key.

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- 2 tbsp oil

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- 6 tbsp sour cream
- 6 tbsp nonfat yogurt
- 6 tsp prepared horseradish
- 1 tsp fresh parsley, chopped
- 1 tsp fresh chives, chopped
- 1 1/2 tsp lemon juice
- 1/2 tsp grated lemon peel
- 1/2 tsp salt

Combine all the sauce ingredients and chill until needed. Can be made well in advance.

For the salmon: remove any bones remaining in the fillets with tweezers. Rinse the fillets or steaks briefly

under cold water and pat dry with paper towels. Sprinkle peppercorns over each side of the fillets or steaks, pressing lightly into the fish. Heat oil in a large frying pan. Sear the salmon over high heat for 1-2 minutes on each side. Reduce the heat to medium and continue to cook until the salmon is cooked through and JUST flakes when tested with a fork. Do not overcook.

Place salmon on serving plates and top with Horseradish Sauce. Serves 6.

## Zucchini Fans

- Small zucchini
- Large plum tomatoes
- Garlic cloves
- Fresh chopped basil and oregano
- Extra virgin olive oil

You'll need one zucchini per person and one tomato per zucchini used. Slice the unpeeled zucchini four or five times lengthwise, leaving the slices connected at the stem end. Spread open the sliced zucchini so that it looks like a partially opened hand fan, being careful not to break the slices. Lay it flat on a foil-lined baking sheet. Slice the tomatoes thinly, lengthwise, and insert one slice between each blade of the zucchini fan. Insert one or two thin slices (or more if you love garlic) of a garlic clove between each blade next to the tomato. Sprinkle the zucchini fans with fresh basil and oregano. Brush lightly with olive oil.

Bake at 400° until soft (about 20 minutes). Serve 1 zucchini fan per person.

## Chinese Cold Sesame Noodles

- 1 lb fresh thin egg noodles
- 4 quarts water
- 2 tsp salt
- 2 tbsp soy sauce
- 1 tsp chili oil or hot pepper sauce or to taste
- 1 tbsp oriental sesame oil
- 1 tbsp rice vinegar or cider vinegar
- 1 tsp sugar
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 tbsp peanut oil
- 1/3 cup toasted sesame seeds
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### SAMUEL AND ANNE TALLER FUND

Best wishes to Anne Teller on her special birthday by Mr. and Mrs. M. Soboff.

In memory of Jack Roodman by Marilyn, Lori and Wendy Waserman; by Rhoda and Jeff Simbrow; by Enid, Jeff, Andy, Jill and Mami Gould; and by Anne Teller.

### TALMUO TORAH AFTERNOON SCHOOL FUND

Mazal Tov to Liney and Dodo Bronstein on the marriage of their daughter Cheryl to Eric by Cally and Sid Kardash.

### CLAIRE AND SAM TANNER MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Ruth Teller by Lana and Stephen Tanner and family.

### SALL AND FANNY TANNER MEMORIAL FUND

Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Mac Weiner on their 50th wedding anniversary by Linda and Stephen Weiner and family.

In memory of Ruth Teller by Brian Weiner and Shelley Samei.

### ETHEL AND IRVING TAYLOR FUND

Mazal Tov to Ruth and Irving Aaron on the engagement of their son Leslie to Lisa Wolfe by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

Mazal Tov to David and Pearl Moskovic on their son's wedding and on the birth of their grandchild by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

Mazal Tov to Cantor David and Gita Aptowitzer on the birth of their grandson by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

Mazal Tov to Benjamin Feinstein on his special birthday

by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

In memory of Ina McCarthy by Ethel and Irving Taylor.

### MOSES, CHENYA AND HENRY TORNTOW MEMORIAL FUND

Best wishes to Jean Naemark on her birthday by Leah Toronto, and by Bea Toronto.

Best wishes to Max Naemark on his birthday by Leah Toronto.

### SARA AND ZEEV VERED FUND

In memory of Morris Woolfson by Sara and Zeev Vered and family.

Best wishes to Irving Rivers for a r'tuah sh'lemah by Sara and Zeev Vered and family.

Best wishes to Michael Fathi for a r'tuah sh'lemah by Sara and Zeev Vered and family.

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Mazal Tov to Gail and Stephen Victor on the engagement of their daughter Jodie to Jeff Stal by Eslette Weiss.

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In observance of the Yartzheit of a dear mother Freda Viner by Milton and Terry Viner.

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Best wishes to Carl Waserman for a r'tuah sh'lemah by Nat and Phyllis Waserman.

### HARRY AND RAE WEIDMAN MEMORIAL FUND

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In memory of Earl Florence by Miriam and Lou Weiner.

### JOSEPH AND SONIA WEINSTEIN MEMORIAL FUND

Congratulations to Debbie Weinstein on her achievements by uncle Larry and aunt Yetta Aron.

### HYMIE WHITZMAN MEMORIAL FUND

With appreciation to Golda Treger by Judi Ross.  
Best wishes to Michael Fathi for a speedy recovery by Judi, Fred, David and Dean Ross.

In memory of Ruth Teller by Judi, Fred, David and Dean Ross.

### MORRIS AND MARIETTE WOOLFSON FUND

In memory of Morris Woolfson by Sara and Bernie Melamed; by Raye and Sidney Singeman; by Kayla and Avin Mailay; by Sara Dworkin; by Ethel and Irving Taylor; by Pinkus and Barbara Pleet; by Bertha Pleet; by Edie Landau; by Dr. Jack Berman; by Elmor Ritt and Saul Rothstein; and by Carole and Wally Cherun.

In memory of Ruth Teller by Lana and Stephen Tanner and family.

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### SAM AND HELENE ZARET FUND

In memory of Ruth Spring by Debi and Neil Zaret.

### INEZ AND JOSEPH ZELIKOVITZ FUND

In memory of Morris Woolfson by Marlene Burack and family.

### SANDRA AND SAM ZUNOER FUND

Mazal Tov to Shelley and Morris Schachnow on the birth of their granddaughter by Sandra and Sam Zunder.

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25	TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26	WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27	THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28	FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29	SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30	SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1
<p>JACS Meeting for Co-Dependents, Young Israel Synagogue, 627 Kirkwood Avenue, 12 noon.</p> <p>Jewish Community Centre Golden Age Club, Speaker: Eleanor Campbell, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>Jewish Community Centre Band Practice, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Jewish Community Centre Drop-In Diner, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 12 noon.</p> <p>Jewish Community Centre Basic Judaism, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 12 noon lunch; 12:45 p.m. lecture.</p> <p>Jewish Community Centre Mah Jongg, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 2:00 p.m.</p> <p>Jewish Community Centre Israeli Folkdancing, Jewish Community Campus, 881 Broadview Avenue, 6:30 p.m. - 10:15 p.m.</p> <p>Jewish National Fund Speaker and Reception, Home of Dr. and Mrs. Norman Barwin, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>Beth Shalom Congregation Lehrhaus (Adult Education), "December Dilemma", Beth Shalom Congregation, 151 Chapel Street, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>Malca Pass Book Club, Reviewer: Ayala Schacter-Doull "Found Treasures: Stories by Yiddish Women Writers by Frieda Forman, Agudath Israel Congregation, 1400 Coldrey Avenue, 8:00 p.m.</p>	<p>JACS, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Ottawa Talmud Torah Board Meeting, Jewish Community Campus, 881 Broadview, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>Beth Shalom West Hebrew for Beginners, Beth Shalom West, 15 Chartwell Avenue, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>Cable 22, 6:00 pm.</p>	<p> CANDLELIGHTING BEFORE 4:04 PM</p>		
<p>JACS, Meeting for Co-Dependents, Young Israel Synagogue, 627 Kirkwood Avenue, 12 noon.</p> <p>Jewish Community Centre Concert Band Practice, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Jewish Community Centre Basic Judaism, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 12 noon lunch, 12:45 lecture.</p> <p>Beth Shalom Congregation Lehrhaus (Adult Education), Beth Shalom Congregation, 151 Chapel Street, 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Jewish Community Centre "In The Know" Discussion Group, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.</p> <p>Ecole Maimonides Draw and Chanukah Dinner, Young Israel Synagogue, 627 Kirkwood, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>JACS, Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>FIRST CHANUKAH LIGHT</p>	<p> CANDLELIGHTING BEFORE 3:59 PM</p> <p>FIRST DAY OF CHANUKAH</p>	<p>Machzikei Hadas Congregation, Beth Shalom Congregation, Beth Shalom West Congregation, Agudath Israel Congregation, and Temple Israel Congregation Chanukah Ball, Machzikei Hadas Congregation, 2310 Virginia Drive, 7:30 p.m.</p>	

This information is taken from the community calendar maintained by the Women's Federation of the Jewish Community Council. Organizations which would like their events to be listed, no matter where they are to be held, should make sure they are recorded by advising Kayla Mallay, calendar co-ordinator at 789-9730 any time. We have voice mail. Accurate details must be provided.

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